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To Whom It May Concern:

My name is Randy Sexton and I currently serve as Chairman of the Board for the North Webster Parish Industrial District (NWPID), a seven-member board that oversees a relatively small industrial park. NWPID is a public board. Board members are non-compensated for their service. I am requesting an ethics opinion based on the following information.

One of the park tenants has requested that some floor repairs be made to the building it occupies. The building is NWPID property and under the terms of the lease, the floor repairs are the responsibility of NWPID. The cost of the repairs is less than \$250,000.00. NWPID did not advertise the project but did contact local contractors that have the capability to perform the work to submit a bid for the repairs. A retired engineer that lives locally drew plans for the repairs.

Mr. Brown, the owner of XYZ Contracting located in the industrial park, submitted a bid for the repairs. Mr. Brown is also an alderman for the largest community represented on the board. Two individuals from his community serve on the board. As an alderman, Mr. Brown votes on individuals to serve on the NWPID Board of Directors that have been nominated by the mayor.

Is NWPID committing any ethical violation by allowing Mr. Brown to submit a bid for the floor repairs since he is directly involved in confirming membership of individuals from his community to the NWPID Board of Directors?

Thank you for your assistance. My mailing address is 489 Cowboy Morgan Road, Shongaloo, LA 71072.

Sincerely

Randy Sexton

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